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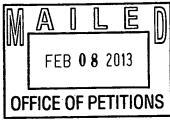
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**DECISION GRANTING PETITION** 

This is a decision on the petition, filed January 15, 2013, under 37 CFR 1.378(c) to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of 11.5 year maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The patent issued March 21, 2000. The grace period for paying the 11.5 year maintenance fee expired at midnight March 21, 2012. Therefore, since the petition was filed within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), this petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

Accordingly, the maintenance fee in this case of \$2,045.00 will be accepted along with the surcharge of \$1640.00. The above-identified patent is hereby reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3222.

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